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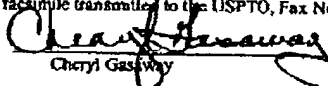
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Amendment

In response to the Office Action of May 03, 2004 please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are described in the Remarks and include both an appended replacement sheet and an appended, annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.

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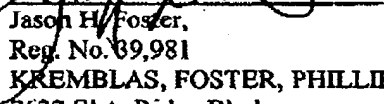
The Examiner also rejected claims 18 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Watari. The Applicant has amended claims 18 and 19 to depend from allowable claim 12.

The Applicant has added claims 20, 21, 22 and 23, which are substantively identical to amended claim 18 and depend from allowable independent claims 13, 14, 15 and 16, respectively.

Therefore, reconsideration and allowance of the claims at issue are respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-3393 for any insufficient fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment of fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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